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Dear Western Oregon BLM,

I am writing in opposition to the Western Oregon Plan Revision, affecting approx. 2.6 million acres of Oregon forests and streams.

Please take into consideration to strong public support for clean water and forest reserves that the WOPR plan would endanger.

We support the No Action alternative that will keep riparian buffers at the levels mandated by the Northwest Forest Plan. The health of stream and river habitat for spawning fish will be adversely affected by the even the 50% reduction of riparian buffers in Alternative 1. Fish need cold water and riparian buffers. We all know that.

The WOPR plan violates the Endangered Species and Clean Water Acts, to name a few and is a slap in the face to the years of hard work that went into the Northwest Forest Plan. As such a bald faced land grab, WOPR is emblematic of a short term economic stimulus at the expense of the longer term goals of clean water, recreation, transitional economies and the quality of life. The latter of which is the new engine driving Oregon's economic growth. No one moves here and brings business and employment because they enjoy clearcuts.

Thinning small trees could offer more than 2 billion board feet of commercially valuable timber if actively thinned while preserving our last, best public lands for generations to come.

Sincerely,  
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